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PRESIDENT: Question is shall the Call be raised. Record your vote. Record and announce the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes to raise the Call, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Report the vote. The Call is raised.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 16 nays, 3 not voting on the original motion, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill passes notwithstanding the veto of the Governor. Senator Chambers, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I just want to say thank you.

CLERK: Motion on the desk.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion.

CLERK: First let me stick in the Journal, Mr. President, LR 94 calling for a study which is introduced by Senator Marvel, which will be referred to the Executive Board.

Mr. President, I move to take up for consideration LB 213 on General File. Signed, Senator Bereuter.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Speaker, Senator Burbach. Senator Bereuter has a motion to take up LB 213 on General File.

SPEAKER: This is very important according to the agenda it's set up several times. This is a bill that should be considered on General File because it has a deadline on it.

PRESIDENT: Alright. Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Thank you Mr. President, colleagues. This bill was debated in detail late last week. There were many absentees. Some of you have received additional information. It's my understanding that there is more support for the bill now. In the meantime we have had discussions with DOT officials. We have indicated to them the language that's been placed in the appropriation bill. It is not satisfactory to stop the loss of federal monies for highway construction, 10%, which amounts to approximately \$5 million per year. I hope to limit the debate. We'll simply remind you there seems to be no idle threat at all. My reasons for advancing it, as I pointed out, were purely economic. I don't want to lose the \$5 million. I'm not concerned about the astatic value, although some of you may be. I have placed in the budget bill a priority system so that first money be spent to remove signs within 660 feet according to existing state and federal law before any money could be spent for signs that are visible from the highway that are beyond 660 feet. I hope we can limit the debate and get on with the vote and see how it comes out. I move for the advancement to E & R initial.